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Rio Grande Honored At Awards Dinner

Rio Grande was one of four railroads honored at the annual awards dinner of the Railway Progress Institute held at Washington, D. C., October 24. Attending the awards dinner for the Rio Grande was C. R. Lennig, vice president-Traffic, and Ed Roe, advertising manager.

Rio Grande received the runnerup "Silver Freight Car" award along with the Santa Fe and Louisville and Nashville railroads. The top award "Golden Freight Car" went to the Illinois Central Railroad.

The awards are given for effective promotion of freight traffic during the past year. Rio Grande's award was for its year-long campaign promoting their "Short-Fast-Frequent" freight train concept, involving extensive use of various news media.

Rio Grande's Net Income Shows a Slight Increase

Net income for the Rio Grande shows an increase for the first nine months of this year compared to last year. Net income reported to the ICC totaled \$8,124,000 compared with \$7,849,000 for 1967.

Third quarter freight revenues of \$22,288,000 is an increase of \$1,338,000 over last year's third quarter. Passenger revenues are down \$38,000 for the same period. Net income for the third quarter period shows an increase of \$78,000 over 1967.

On the Cover

Rio Grande's hot shot freight No. 89 is westbound near Arvada, Colo. with a GP-40 leading the way. Photo was taken in early October, 1968.

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Thanksgiving Proclamation

Of George Washington in 1789

Whereas it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor; and whereas both Houses of Congress have, by their joint Committee, requested me to recommend to the people of the United States a day of Public Thanksgiving and Prayer, to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many and signal favors of Almighty God especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness;

Now, therefore, I do recommend and assign Thursday, the twenty-sixth day of November next, to be devoted by the people of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the Beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be; that we may then all unite in rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this country, previous to their becoming a nation; for the signal and manifold mercies, and the favorable interposition of His providence, in the course and conclusion of the late war; for the great degree of tranquility, union, and plenty which we have since enjoyed; for the peaceable and rational manner in which we have been enabled to establish Constitutions of Government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national one now lately instituted; for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed, and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and, in general, for all the great and various favors, which He has been pleased to confer upon us.

And also, that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations, and beseech Him to pardon our national and other transgressions; to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually; to render our National Government a blessing to all the people by constantly being a government of wise, just and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed; to protect and guide all sovereigns and nations (especially such as have shown kindness to us) and to bless them with good governments, peace, and concord; to promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the increase of science among them and us; and generally to grant unto all mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as He alone knows to be best.

Moving Up With The Rio Grande

Keith Bradley	Asst. Chief Engineer-Planning, Denver
R. E. Davis	Asst. Chief Transportation Officer-Planning, Denver
J. A. Greener	Asst. Superintendent, Utah Division, Salt Lake
R. W. Kruggel	Office Manager, Portland
A. H. Nance	Superintendent, Utah Division, Salt Lake
Jerry Pearson	Chairman, Utah Division, Salt Lake
A. K. Reiss	Office Manager, Medford
R. F. Spurling	Asst. Superintendent, Utah Division, Salt Lake

"ACI" System Will Monitor Freight Car Movements

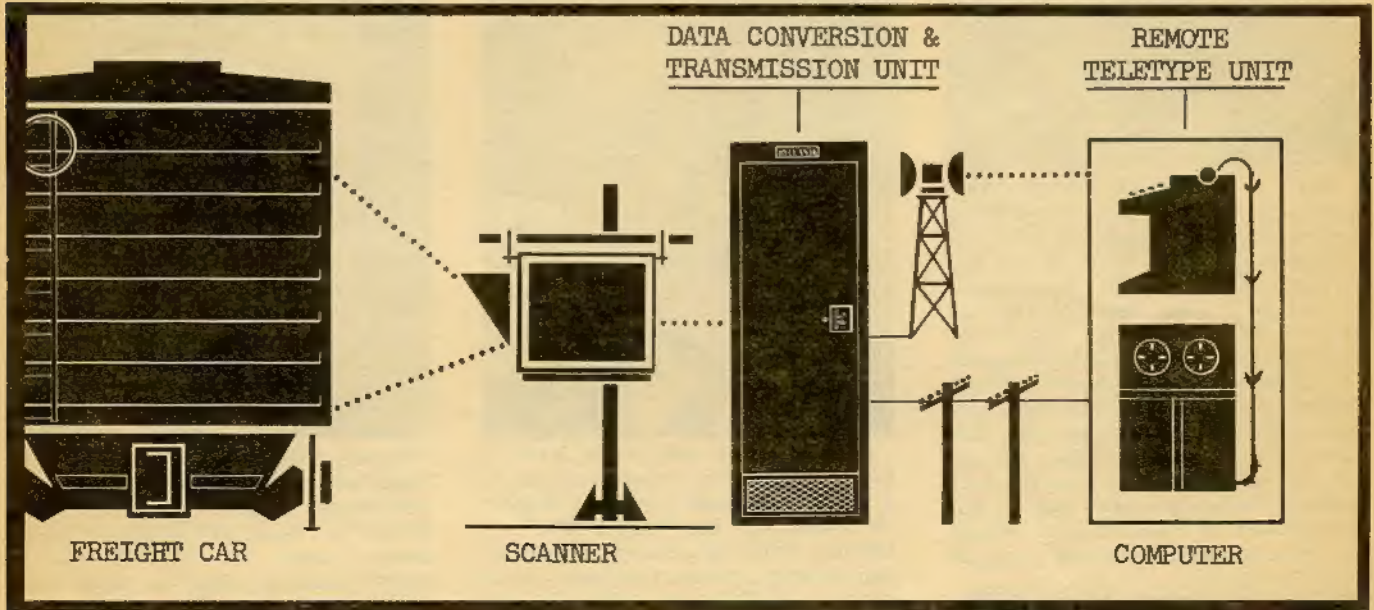
Railroads throughout the country are adopting an automatic car identification (ACI) system to monitor movement of the enormous freight car fleet plying the ribbons of steel.

M. F. Black, superintendent of Communications, is heading a committee in laying plans to implement the ACI system on the Rio Grande.

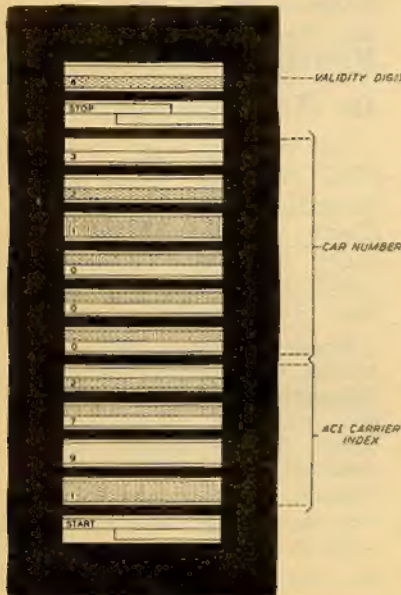
This breakthrough in transportation technology creates a system that makes it possible to locate

instantaneously the location of any freight car in the country through sophisticated scanning devices that can read multi-colored stripes on a freight car at speed up to 80 mph even in the most severe weather conditions.

The ACI concept will provide a more accurate and true car reporting than under the present procedures and will save time in reporting the freight car's progress.



AUTOMATIC CAR IDENTIFICATION (ACI) SYSTEM is explained in the drawing above. The Scanner located near the tracks picks up the information from the multicolored stripes on the side of the car. The information is transmitted instantly to a data conversion and transmission unit. It is available for transmission on a remote teletype unit which feeds it into the central computer and memory bank.



4. The stripes are put on the side of a railroad car so that they spell out in numbers the type of equipment, the owner's name, the car number, and a validity digit.

Thomas M. Goodfellow, president of the Association of American Railroads, said, "Such pinpointing of freight cars vastly increases the potential usefulness of the whole fleet, providing quicker turn-around and much faster service to shippers under this program."

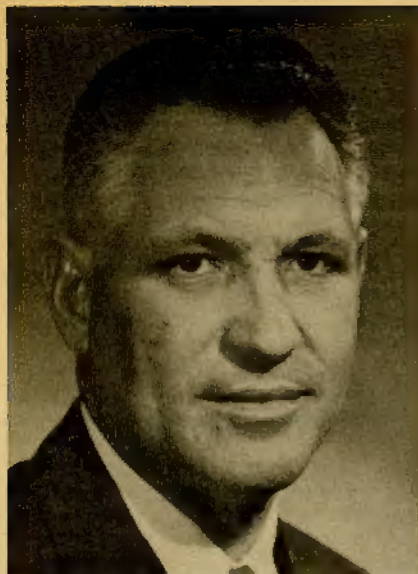
The Rio Grande is in the process of applying the color-coded stripes to its freight car fleet. The cars won't look like zebras when completed as the horizontal stripes will take up a space only about 10 inches wide by 22 inches high. Target date is Jan. 1 for the railroads to have all freight cars coded.

By the combination of the color stripes, each freight car will carry its own identity. Placed at strategic locations, the scanner will read the passing freight car by means of reflected light and the information is fed into a decoder. The decoder, after analyzing the signals, feeds the information into a central computer where it is stored until needed.

The label on the car is made up of 13 modules each consisting of horizontal
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DON HOWE, CARMAN, is using an abrasive wheel to remove the paint from the car in the first step in applying the multi-colored strips.



Davis, a Colorado University graduate with a degree in Engineering, joined the Rio Grande as assistant section foreman at Denver in 1951 and has held the following positions: assistant extra gang foreman, assistant roadmaster, roadmaster, supervisor of structures, assistant trainmaster, trainmaster, assistant superintendent, Pueblo Division, superintendent, Colorado Division, traffic manager, Salt Lake, and in August, 1965, was appointed superintendent, Utah Division, headquartered at Salt Lake. His background in transportation will be an asset in working out plans for the Rio Grande.



Spurling rose from the ranks as a machinist helper at Pueblo in 1945 to his latest appointment as assistant superintendent at Roper. He became a switchman at Pueblo in 1948 and established his seniority as a yardmaster in 1953. He transferred to terminal supervisor in 1955 and appointed assistant superintendent, Pueblo, in 1956, terminal trainmaster, Pueblo, 1961, transferring to Salt Lake in the same capacity in 1963. He leaves the position of manager of terminal development which he has held since Aug., 1966.

System Officers Are Appointed

Assignment of personnel in key positions was announced by Dee J. Butters, chief transportation officer, effective November 1, with the appointment of R. E. Davis as assistant chief transportation officer-planning with headquarters at Denver. This is a newly created position. A. H. "Bob" Nance is appointed superintendent, Utah Division, Roper, succeeding Davis. J. A. Greener and R. F. Spurling are appointed assistant superintendents, Roper, with Greener moving into Nance's position.



Greener, who will take Nance's place as assistant superintendent, is a son of a railroad family at Helper. He joined the Rio Grande after attending Brigham Young University and Hanger Business College as a car checker at Helper in 1936. He saw service as a clerk and timekeeper at various Utah locations. In 1942 he transferred to Roper as secretary in the Superintendent's Office. From 1948 to 1952 he held positions as secretary at Denver in the Chief Engineer's Office and the Executive Vice President's Office. He was appointed transportation analyst at Denver in 1952. Greener was appointed assistant trainmaster at Pueblo in 1953 and transferred to Ogden in the same capacity in 1954. He held the position of trainmaster at Provo and Denver before his appointment as assistant director of Data Processing at Denver in 1962. He was appointed a special analyst in 1966 and appointed to the Transportation Dept. in Oct. 1966. At the time of his recent appointment he was assistant manager of transportation.

Bowling News

(Green Light will list the leaders of each Rio Grande Bowling league if information is received by the first of each month—Ed.).

Salt Lake	
League Leader.....	Scenic Limited
High Team, Streamliners.....	2596
High Team Game, Flying Utes.....	947
High Series, Vic Casias.....	633
High Game, Don Callister.....	245

(There are 14 teams in this league)



Nance, a University of Denver graduate, began his railroad career as a switchman in 1950. He was transferred to assistant engineer, Engineering Dept., in 1960. He subsequently held positions as track supervisor, asst. roadmaster, asst. trainmaster, trainmaster, asst. superintendent of Colo. Division, Denver, and asst. superintendent, Utah Division, Salt Lake. Nance has also served on various committees in Rio Grande's transportation field in addition to the above appointments.

Bradley Promotion Is Announced

Ed Waring, Rio Grande's chief engineer, recently announced the appointment of Keith W. Bradley as assistant chief engineer-Planning, effective November 1, with headquarters at Denver.

Bradley, a native New Yorker, attended Carnegie Technical College, Pittsburgh, Pa., where he earned a B.S. degree in Civil Engineering. He joined the Rio Grande in 1954 as assistant supervisor of structures. He was appointed design engineer in 1959. The succeeding years he held positions as project engineer, industrial engineer, construction engineer, acting division engineer and in 1967 was appointed planning engineer-Transportation at Denver, a position he held until the recent promotion.

Colorado Springs

By Pete Demario

A retirement party was given for Eddie Von Pessel recently. Ed was presented a day-and-night wrist watch by his many friends, who wished him a long and happy retirement.

Eddie went to work for the Rio Grande in 1927. He worked in the baggage department for five years when the depression caught up with him. He returned to the Rio Grande in 1942 in the same department and later became a general clerk.

Ed intends to take it easy for awhile then do a bit of traveling. He plans to make his home at Colorado Springs. Good luck, Ed!

Bill Kennedy has returned to work after a restful vacation. He was happy to have good weather while he was off. Glad to have you back, Bill.

Ogden

By Frank Burch

Pleased to welcome back Ken Myers, carman, who has been on the ailing list the past two months.

A welcome visitor to Ogden was Dave Greear, system freight agency manager, Denver, and his wife, Ethel. The Walter Jones from the Ogden office invited friends of the Greears to their home for an evening of entertainment and renewing acquaintances.

C. L. Porter, engineer, is vacationing at San Francisco. K. R. Hunt, switchman, and brother, Jimmy, are spending their vacation pheasant hunting. B. L. Glanville, switchman, is expected back from his vacation with some wild stories of pheasant and duck hunting.

The annual Holiday party will be held Dec. 23, 7:00 p.m. at the Ben Lomond Golf Club. Baron of Beef with smorgasbord will be the menu. Keep this date in mind and be sure to attend.

Suggestions

The following suggestions were adopted. Identification stub should be mailed to the Personnel Office.

- 18156—Compile directory of officers with U.S. mail addresses.
- 20555—Use of correct type gasoline for company vehicles.

Suggestions received to date and being discussed.

17063	19329	19338	20553
17068	19333	20538	21322
19203	19336	20541	21349

Suggestions for various reasons not adopted. Employee is urged to send in identification stub for reason.

19312	19929	19919	22136
19332	19743	22127	

Last month's cash award went to: Sam Perri, Machinist, Burnham.

Junior Achievers Are Rolling Along

First it was hoola-hoop. Then skateboards. More recently—balance boards. Now, it's Roll A Riot, a clever velocipede made by Rio Toy, the Rio Grande-sponsored Junior Achievement Company in Denver.

Roll A Riot is a test of dexterity and a game of fun for youngsters, six to sixty.



Officers of Rio Toy are, left to right, Paula Allen, vice president-sales; Dan Slusher, president, and Judy Rose, treasurer. Anne McCardle, secretary, and Andre Randolph, vice president-production, are in back row.



NARBW Will Meet

The National Association of Business Women will hold their monthly meeting at the New Albany Hotel, November 20. "Happy Hour" will commence at 6:30 with dinner in the Crown Jewel West room at 6:30 p.m.

Reservations should be made by Nov. 18. Tariff is \$4.50.

Charles Hackett, district manager Railroad Retirement Board, will be the guest speaker. A question and answer period will be conducted at the meeting.

A limited quantity of the wooden toy will be available for delivery in December with the balance of sales taking place after the first of the year, JA's report.

Among those having fun with the toy product are four Rio Grande advisors who helped organize the company.

Advisors are Russ Bunker, planning engineer, and Charles Burroughs, assistant engineer of structures, both of the Engineering Department; Larry Parsons, market analyst, Traffic Department, and Vernon Immoth, personnel administrator, Personnel Department.

Six high schools are represented. From South High are Paula Allen, Alan Kemp, and Susan Stockton. Lincoln High is represented by Mike Dame, Anne McCardle, Dave Moon, Judy Rose, Donna Doyle, Bev and Elaine Schlechte. Cynthia Essig, Tony Gonzales, Linda Rodriguez and Steve Winters attend West High and Dan Hart, Dan Slusher, Larry Susman and Wayne Zarlengo attend Holy Family. Sally Griesse is from North High School while Andre Randolph is from East.

Junior Achievement offers practical business training to the Denver area students. Teenage members of the company approved and named the product, sold \$150 in capital stock, and, hopefully, will operate during the school year at a profit.

Wages, salaries, costs, commissions and overhead are paid by the JA company in this simulated lesson about free enterprise.

Interest in Roll A Riot is high and sales are good, says Rio Toy President Dan Slusher.

Orders will be accepted for delivery by Christmas. Others, because of production requirements, will be delivered early in 1969.

Sales Vice President Paula Allen suggests that you mail your order coupon now to assure early delivery. Pick up orders are preferred.

**Rio Toy Co.—P.O. Box 5482
Denver, Colo. 80217
D&RGW RR**

Attention: Larry Parsons

Please reserve a "Roll A Riot" for me:

Name

Address

City

Zip No.

Telephone

Price is \$3.25 for each Roll A Riot. Add \$1.75 for postage and handling if ordered for mail delivery.

McCanna Retires

By Helen Pelta

A feeling of nostalgia came over some of the remaining fellow employees with the retirement of W. H. "Bill" McCanna, warehouse foreman, Denver. The old Rio Grande freight warehouse, now abandoned, was the alma mater of many Rio Grande employees under "Kingpin" Bill. The roll of his eyes meant, "I have spoken," when instructing his men.

It is great fun and most interesting to reminisce with Bill on railroading. At one time he had as many as 100 men handling freight. The pickup and



delivery handled by horse drawn wagons lined up by the two-block warehouse and office building and extending another two blocks beyond 13th St. was not an uncommon sight around four o'clock in the afternoon.

One of his most memorable moments of laughter, which still makes him chuckle, involved a duck. An employee, who performed pickup and delivery service for a Denver firm, sold a few chickens and ducks during the holidays to supplement his income. "Dutch" Arnold ordered one of the ducks which was delivered in due time with the head protruding from a gunnysack. Dutch accepted it without checking the contents at the time. After assisting a customer, he finally looked at it and to his surprise it was the head and feet of the duck sewed onto the body of a pigeon. One can imagine the look and the following outburst from Dutch. The expression in Kingpin Bill's eyes betrayed neither surprise or previous knowledge of the hoax.

Bill is a native of Denver and lives next door to the house where he was born. Prior to his rail career, he worked for the Public Service Company. He joined the Rio Grande as a trucker in 1929, transferring to check clerk and later to warehouse foreman in 1941.

Like all men he did some romanticizing, he married the boss's daughter, Alice. Her father, Charley Lansky, was warehouse foreman at the time.

Lovers of the mountains and streams, Bill and Alice plan to enjoy the leisure life in their mountain retreat home.

A number of friends, co-workers and Alice were on hand to wish Bill many happy years of retirement.

News About Grande People

RETIREMENTS

By Ann Eckberg

Name	City	Occupation	Age	Aggregate Years of Service	Date of Annuity
Basse, Edwin C.	Denver	Trainman	69	25	9-1-68
Boden, Raymond	Denver	Industry Checker	65	31	9-4-68
Bronish, Adam F.	Paonia	Machinist	60	42	8-3-68
Burger, Otto H.	Grand Junction	Trainman	65	26	9-27-68
Davies, Frank M.	Palisade	Agent	70	32	8-28-68
Decker, John A.	Salt Lake City	Boilermaker	65	44	9-9-68
Edstrom, Edwin L.	Denver	Conductor	67	43	9-25-68
Forstrom, Carl J.	Grand Junction	Locomotive Engineer	69	42	9-30-68
Fowles, Willard M.	Salina	Agent-Telegrapher	68	45	9-1-68
Frederickson, Harry M.	Denver	Locomotive Engineer	66	27	9-26-68
Gonzales, Adelaide	Montrose	Section Laborer	65	24	6-1-68
Good, James F.	Granby	Agent	69	34	9-1-68
Klodt, Theodore E.	Denver	Budget Analyst	65	45	9-1-68
Lindell, Edward G.	Denver	Carman	68	35	9-5-68
Marston, Harry J.	Denver	Electrician	61	32	9-12-68
Rock, Clarence I.	Denver	Machinist Helper	68	28	9-6-68
Smith, Lawrence P.	Grand Junction	Locomotive Engineer	70	51	9-7-68
Smith, Norton W.	Grand Junction	Conductor	65	44	9-26-68
Speirs, Leigh	Salt Lake City	Carman	66	45	8-6-68
Stavropoulos, Sam H.	Salt Lake City	Carman	67	29	8-1-68
Stelter, John E.	Salt Lake City	Locomotive Engineer	67	39	9-1-68
Wells, Preston F.	Denver	Electrician	63	33	9-1-68

LOSSES

By Betty Hancock

Name	City	Occupation	Age	Date of Death	Aggregate Years of Service	Date of Annuity
Armstrong, Leonard T.	Grand Junction	Car Laborer	84	10-24-68	11	9-14-54
Baird, Mary Ann	Denver	Keypunch Oper.	33	10-28-68	8	In Service
Ball, Frank G.	Denver	Clerk	72	11-3-68	40	1-1-63
Botteroff, Clyde E.	Grand Junction	Engineer	73	10-30-68	42	1-1-63
Cooper, Francis M.	Coal Dale, Colo.	Engineer	64	9-17-68	40	12-16-66
Corland, Alvin R.	Denver	Machinist Helper	67	9-10-68	19	10-29-62
Dowell, Forrest E.	Grand Junction	Engineer	62	10-7-68	24	1-1-68
Gaines, Everts R.	Denver	Walter	78	9-29-68	47	10-14-58
Hendrix, George H.	Denver	Electrician	76	10-7-68	18	6-14-60
Holtmeyer, Frank T.	Grand Junction	Trainman	78	10-13-68	40	4-9-60
Hudgings, Marion T.	Santa Fe, N. M.	Cashier	86	9-68	37	7-1-54
Kelly, Grover C.	Naponee, Nebr.	Machinist Helper	71	9-68	14	4-7-56
Lockhart, Guy E.	Denver	Machinist	81	10-28-68	29	11-15-51
Moore, Patrick H.	Phippsburg	Engineer	75	10-19-68	50	1-1-60
Rowland, Mathew W.	Salt Lake City	Clerk	70	10-15-68	47	6-24-67
Vaughn, Ralph C.	Denver	Engineer	75	9-29-68	51	7-1-60
Wright, Russell R.	Grand Junction	Conductor	68	10-11-68	22	12-1-52

Credit Union Expands

The Rio Grande Operating Credit Union, chartered in 1931, has expanded their facilities in newer and larger offices at the Symes Bldg., Room 421, 820 16th Street, Denver, with office hours 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. weekdays, Monday through Friday except holidays.

Membership is open to all personnel of the Rio Grande and their subsidiaries. Dependents of employees are also eligible for membership.

Dividends are paid semi-annually, June 30th and Dec. 31.

Members can park at any Go Downtown, Allright or Reliable parking facilities in downtown Denver with the credit union paying the fee.



Safety is being alert to danger, and not taking chances. Be careful... and be thankful.

Vets Club President Lockhart Passes

Guy Lockhart, well-known retired Rio Grande machinist, died Oct. 28 after an extended illness. He was president of Vets Club No. 3 at Denver at the time of his death.

Guy had charge of the System Vets Club Montezuma Jewelry project for many years and had attended many system conventions. He retired in 1951.

He was interested in many things, having missed only the last two seasons deer and elk hunting. He was a stamp and coin collector, interested in Masonic Lodge and a zealous worker in the Vets Club. He would have been 82 on November 15.

He leaves his widow, Mary, and many friends to mourn his passing.

Salt Lake Vets Club

By F. C. Krauth

Now that we are approaching the time of year when everyone is looking forward to Thanksgiving, the Salt Lake Vets would like to remind its members of the pot luck party to be held Nov. 23, at Carpenters Hall, at 6:30 p.m.

We are happy to report C. L. Crawford has recovered from his illness and is back on the job again.

C. V. Argyle got his deer while hunting and is now after the pheasants.

Sorry to report that Harry Rugg lost a grandson from a hunting accident with his father, Monte Rugg.

Members of the Salt Lake Vets Club congratulate R. E. Davis on his new appointment. We wish him success.

Denver Vets Club

By Esther Loibl

All were saddened by the death of our president, Guy Lockhart. Sincere sympathy is extended to his widow, Mary.

The regular meeting will be held Nov. 21, at 76 So. Grove, 7:30 p.m. Homemade pie and coffee will be served by the ladies. Bingo will be the entertainment.

The October meeting was well attended. Wanda and Frank Marquiss furnished some old time music which was enjoyed by all.

December dates to remember are the Christmas Party at Lake Junior High School, Dec. 14, 7:30 p.m., and the Christmas exchange party of dollar gifts, Dec. 19, 7:30 p.m. at 76 So. Grove. There will be refreshments and entertainment.

Frank Marquiss is in St. Lukes Hospital for a checkup. Hope he will be home soon. The George Rearys vacationed in California. The Louis Hiemlichs toured the eastern and southern states and visited the Bahama Islands.

"I have yet to find the man, whatever his station in life, who did not do better work and put forth greater effort under a spirit of approval than he would ever do under a spirit of criticism."

Charles Schwab

"Strange when you come to think of it, that of all the countless folk who have lived before our time on this planet, not one is known in history or legend as having died of laughter."

Sir Max Beerbohm

RIO GRANDE VETERANS CLUBS

PRESENT:

The Silverton



TIE BARS

K-28-G—Gold Filled Tie Bar.....\$3.25 K-28-S—Sterling Silver Tie Bar.....\$2.50

THE MONTEZUMA



TIE BARS

Plain Enameled

Silver PlateRG-11 \$2.50 RG-11E \$3.00
Gold Plate.....RG-12 \$2.50 RG-12E \$3.00
SterlingRG-13 \$4.75 RG-13E \$5.40
Gold FilledRG-14 \$5.50 RG-14E \$6.25

TIE CHAINS

Sterling EnameledRG- 9E \$5.40
Gold Filled Enameled.....RG-10E \$6.25

BOLA TIES

(with Montezuma Clips)

Sterling EnameledRG-21E \$4.75
Gold Filled Enameled.....RG-22E \$5.00

CUFF LINKS

Plain Enameled

Silver PlateRG-15 \$3.50 RG-15E \$4.50
Gold Plate.....RG-16 \$3.75 RG-16E \$4.50
SterlingRG-17 \$5.75 RG-17E \$6.25
Gold FilledRG-18 \$6.50 RG-18E \$8.00

TIE TACS

Sterling EnameledRG-25E \$3.50
Gold Filled Enameled.....RG-26E \$4.00

BRACELETS

Sterling EnameledRG- 3E \$4.25
Gold Filled Enameled.....RG- 4E \$4.75
Charm Only—Gold FilledRG-24E \$3.75
SterlingRG-23E \$3.25

ORDER FORM

Mr. Edward M. Clark, 2701 South Utica, Denver, Colorado 80236

Please mail to me via parcel post the following items offered by the Rio Grande Veterans' Clubs:

Item No.	Quantity	Description	Amount	Mail Charge Plus Handling	Total
				30c per item	\$
				30c per item	\$
				30c per item	\$
				30c per item	\$

(ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEET FOR LARGER ORDERS)

TOTAL \$

NAME (Print)

ADDRESS (Print)

CITY

STATE

ZIP

IMPORTANT: Check or money order for total amount including mail and handling charges must accompany your order. They will be your receipt.

Let's Get Acquainted With the Rio Grande

(Part VII)

The lens of the Green Light camera continues to view the employes in the Salt Lake area. The camera would need a roving lens to catch up with some as they were on vacation or on duty elsewhere, consequently, they were missed but not intentionally.



W. H. PEELER, supervisor of signals and communications on the Utah Division, is located at Roper.



STAN TEZAK, terminal trainmaster, keeps in touch with the operation of the Roper Yard.



J. C. DYET, terminal supervisor, works the evening shift at Roper.



HANK CHAPPELL, seated, roadmaster, Utah Division, is located at Roper Division Office. With him is James Johnson, assistant roadmaster, who is usually located at Provo.



MIKE VLAMAKAS is secretary to the terminal trainmaster.



RAY IRVINE is the supervisor of Data Processing located in the Roper Yard office.



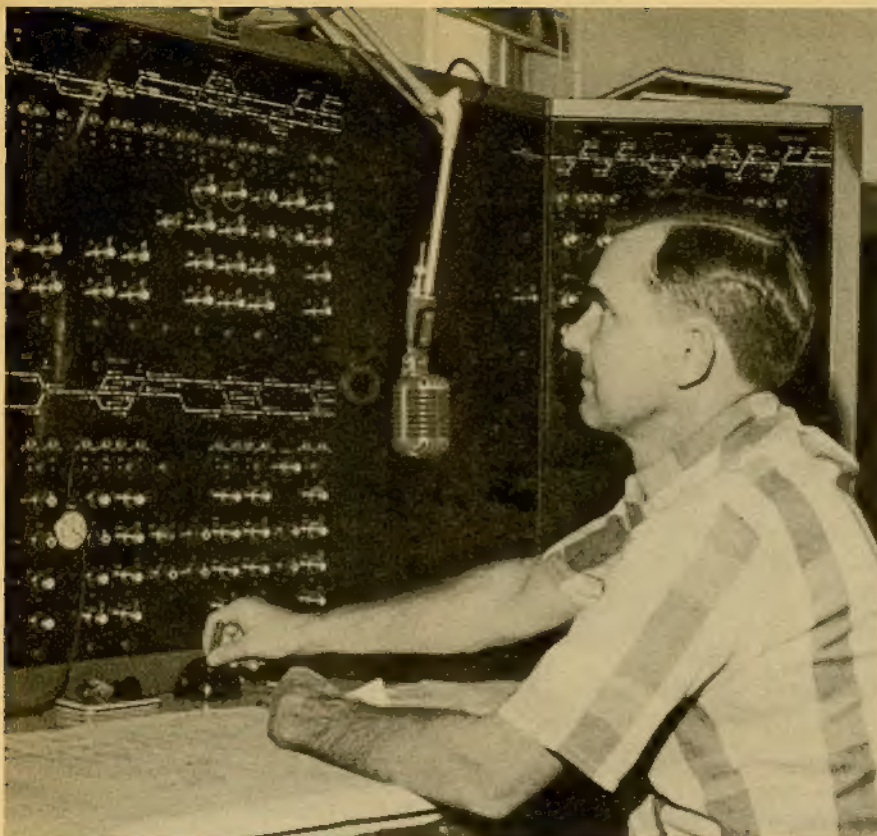
JOHN ABERTON is the trainmaster of the Utah Division with headquarters at Salt Lake.



THE CHIEF DISPATCHER, A. R. Johnson, is busily engaged in the operation of the trains on the Utah Division.



HAL WAGNER, division data processing supervisor, is shown perusing some of the records.



LIGHTS ON THE BOARD INDICATE where each train is located and Bob Berry, relief dispatcher at Roper, accomplishes another "meet."



DAMAGE PREVENTION OFFICER at Salt Lake is "Connie" Sig.



NANCY TAYLOR, clerk at Roper, was given her brother's name, Mark, in the October Green Light. The lens on the camera should know the difference between male and female and so we print a picture of Nancy to keep the record straight. Sorry about that, Nancy.



JOHN PARK, Depot Ticket Agent, Salt Lake, poses for Green Light at the Salt Lake Depot.



E. R. "SMOKEY" HOUSE, is the road foreman of equipment. The nickname is a holdover from the days of steam. Even today when "Smokey" gets all steamed up things begin to move.



"CHUCK" EVANS, located in the Utah Division office, is Rio Grande's claims and special service investigator.



WAYNE PIERSON is the ticket clerk at the Salt Lake Depot.



SID CORNWALL, though not a Rio Grande employe in the true sense of the word, handles Rio Grande's legal problems from his office in downtown Salt Lake.

The drunk heading the wrong way on a one-way street, was stopped by a cop, who asked him where he thought he was going.

"Well," replied the souse, "I was headed for a party, but it doesn't matter now, 'cause it mus' be over . . . everybody's comin' back now."

HOSPITAL REPORT

When sick or hurt, members of the Hospital Assn. should call 623-8443 in Denver; 243-3545 in Grand Junction; 364-3591 in Salt Lake City, night or day. In other towns, call a Staff Doctor, directly. The Hospital Assn. Pharmacy number in Denver is 623-4981. Dependents. Spouses and widows of deceased members may purchase drugs for the same price as a member of the Hospital Assn. Ambulance Service is provided association members by Roche Ambulance 282-2340. Keep this number near your phone. Hospital admissions can be listed here only if they are received from the hospitals.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL, DENVER—Dean W. Allen, Frank C. Ball, Oscar A. Becker, Chas. W. Brown, Chas. W. Chaney, Gilbert Castillo, Earl Crain, Jose M. Crespin, Mary M. Evans, Kenneth C. Flansburg, Albert H. Gruber, Mary E. Hamber, Mary E. Hancock, Alfred W. Henningsen, Samuel J. Herrera, Mrs. Alice R. Hill, Elmer R. Honeycutt, Daniel R. Hurley, Oscar T. Johnson, Annie E. Kale, Raymond A. Kale, Richard F. Krueger, Spiros Kusulas, Mike Martinez, Chas. B. McCaffrey, Mary D. McNulty, Keith M. Peck, Clyde C. Perkins, Lena L. Pratt, Lena E. Rock, Bertha L. Rowlands, Edward J. Salazar, Mrs. Ruth Turner.

UTAH VALLEY L.D.S. HOSPITAL, PROVO—Kenneth H. Williams, Gary J. Chadwick.

ST. MARK'S HOSPITAL, SALT LAKE CITY—Lee Ernest Bluck.

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL, GRAND JUNCTION—Ross V. Allre, Leonard T. Armstrong, Chas. M. Beck, Clyde E. Bottorff, Frank M. Davies, Jules A. Doucet, Wm. J. Elbon, Marion H. Johnson, Rex B. Lombardi, Mrs. Nellie L. McHugh, Velma Moore, Jane G. Murphy, Ted O. Murphy, Joseph L. Raff, Frank Reardon, Wm. F. Schultz, Russell R. Wright, Anthony N. Svaldi, Albert G. Thye.

ST. MARY CORWIN HOSPITAL, PUEBLO—Ethel Edlund, John Demicell, Chas. E. Gunn Sr., Robt. L. Leffler.

GENERAL ROSE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, DENVER—Custoda Amicone, LeRoy E. Dawson, Marion E. Fenkins, Theo. Gilmore, Guy E. Lockhart.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL, DEL NORTE—Clarence Smith, T. Maley.

BOULT COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, STEAMBOAT SPRINGS—Chas. V. Landers.

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL, DENVER—Edward S. Stevens.

HOLY CROSS HOSPITAL, SALT LAKE CITY—Warren Benyon, Armond Carter, Theo. O. Christon, Ivan E. Cowley, Harold T. Jensen, Donald R. Mogensen, Harry E. Rugg, Carl Steln, Floyd R. Strong, Kenneth Taylor, Harold Woods, James I. Gannuscia.

MIDDLE PARK HOSPITAL, KREMMLING—Vincent Goedell.

ACI Color Stripes Are Applied

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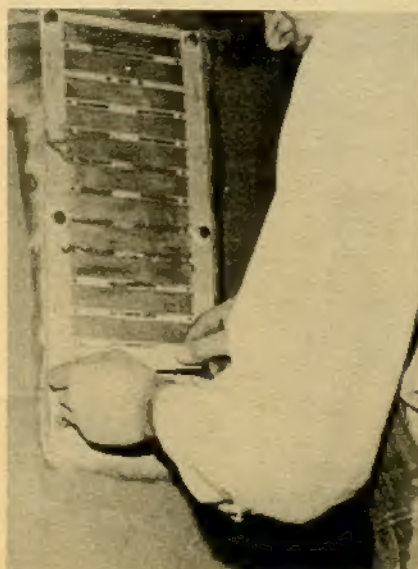
tal stripes. The first module at the bottom is called a Start. The next four modules represent the numeric code for type and owner of car. The next six are the car numbers. The 12th module is the Stop, and the top module is the validity check digit. The last digit comes from a mathematical calculation which determines the correctness of the various modules and insures that the proper label has been installed on the car.

The advantage of this system, when fully operational, will enable railroads to rapidly locate the types of cars needed to meet seasonal or emergency transportation situations; permit railroads to supply shippers with

prompt and accurate information on en route shipments; make possible the establishment of an "up-to-the-minute" industry inventory of every interchange freight car; and allow individual railroads to collect and store special data on rolling stock, such as maintenance and routine servicing information.

Fast and accurate information will be generated through ACI for use in accounting, scheduling, routing and other day-to-day operations.

Eventually ACI on the Rio Grande will be tied in with a nationwide information system, TeleRail Automated Information Network (TRAIN), based at Washington, D.C.



USING A FRAME as a guide the multi-colored strips are placed in their proper positions.



LE ROY BERGHORN, repair track foreman, inspects the ACI marking on the car.

Carman Cheedle Decides to Retire



Ray Cheedle is shown in the accompanying photo "punching out" for the last time on Sept. 30 when he decided to take his retirement.

Ray started with the Rio Grande in 1924 as a laborer. He transferred to carman in 1925 becoming a first class carman in 1929. During the years he became a specialist in air brakes.

In addition to working on the railroad, he is a reporter-photographer for the Green Light.

Ray took up photography as a hobby. He became so engrossed in this hobby he was able to do commercial photography on the side. This will prove a valuable asset to Ray in his retirement as he expects to do commercial photography full time, now that he is retired. In addition to having many of his photos published in the Green Light, many national publications have used his material.

His fellow employees will not miss him altogether as he will continue to be the man behind the lens for the Green Light in the Grand Junction area.

The many friends of Ray wish him a long and most enjoyable retirement.

Christmas Parties

Better watch out, better be good, Santa Claus is coming to town!

Christmas parties will be held at the following places. For further information check with your local Vets Club members.

Denver	Dec. 14
Lake Jr. High School	
Helper	Dec. 15
Civic Auditorium	
Salt Lake	Dec. 16
Carpenters Hall	
Provo	Dec. 17
Utility Building	

Utah Div'n Office

By Fae Lundberg

Gordon Watkins has had to do double duty while his wife has been in the hospital, doing the chores around the house as well as his duties as relief dispatcher. Sincerely hope his wife has a speedy recovery.

Congratulations to Curt Davis who became an Eagle Scout, Oct. 29, at Salt Lake. Curt is the oldest son of R. E. Davis, now assistant chief transportation officer with headquarters at Denver.



A farewell party was held at the division office on Oct. 29. In the photo above, Davis is shown rereiling the train on the cake. A poem written by Mary Perry, secretary to Davis was read by Bill Reese, timekeeper, as a token of their esteem for the departing superintendent.

A welcome is extended to two new employees in the Division Engineer's office, Jerry Pearson and Orlando Miera, chainmen.

Successful deer hunters this year were Tom Hurla, track supervisor, J. Huntsman, supervisor of structures, and Val Gass, work equipment mechanic.

Condolences are extended to Manuel Pister, welder at Roper, on the recent loss of his father, Oct. 28.



Thomas Sprunt, retired switchman, started knitting as a hobby and for physical therapy about five years ago. He was the sweepstakes winner at the Utah State Fair, Sept. 13-22, in the home arts department. He is shown with his wife with the ribbons he won. He also won a trophy for the sweater he is wearing. He knitted the afghan in the background and the sweater his wife is wearing.

Bob Shock "Brakes" His Rail Career

By Amos Cordova



A FAMILIAR FACE in a familiar place will be seen no more as Bob Schock has taken his retirement. Photo shows Bob Shock ready to make the run to Silverton and return at Durango.

A blast of the whistle from No. 476, the Johnson bar was notched, steam entered the cylinders, the Silverton Train began to move and Bob Shock on the right hand side was making his final run on this famous train.

Bob ended a railroad career of 45 years on Oct. 3 with an enviable record of never having received a demerit while operating trains for the Rio Grande. This is a record that is hard to equal.

He began working for the Rio Grande at Alamosa as a fireman in 1923 and was promoted to engineer in 1948. He worked on the old Alamosa Division to La Veta, Chama, Durango, Farmington and Silverton branches. He moved to Durango in 1942 and has made this historic city his home since that time.

Many thousands of tourists have ridden the Silverton with Bob at the controls and listened to the echo of the steam whistle.

On October 19 Bob was honored at a retirement dinner given by his many railroad co-workers and was presented with a gift. Retirement plans call for taking it easy and catching up on a lot of fishing time.

Courtesy of manner and promptness of assistance by railroad employes go a long way toward selling the public on the advantages of railroad transportation.

Rail CHATTER on the Grande

Durango

By Amos Cordova

On Sept. 16, U P 473, the Overland Flyer, left Durango for Needleton on the first segment of 20th Century Fox's filming of "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid" starring Paul Newman. Several days were spent at this location shooting the film (not to mention the bad guys).

About a week-and-a-half was spent shooting parts of the film east of Durango near Florida using two trains. Locomotives were painted U P green as were some of the coaches from the Silverton. Three mockup baggage cars were built from narrow gauge flat cars to be used as express and posse cars, one of which was blown up.

Liaison between the film company and the Rio Grande was J. M. Rentfrow, trainmaster. He was assisted by Wes Henderson, assistant superintendent, and Frank Green, road foreman of equipment.

Engineers on the trains were Steve Connors and Andy Payne. Firemen were H. D. Gibbs and Doug Rathjen. Trainmen were Mel Schaaf, Bud Schaaf, John Nolan, D. O. Cummins, Al Stevenson, Jim Mayer, B. Glasscock, C. Prior and J. Greathouse.

"Grand Mountain Railroad" engine No. 550 departed Durango Sept. 16 for Chama for MGM's filming of "Good Guys and Bad Guys," starring Robert Mitchum. This movie was filmed in the Chama Cumbres-Toltec area.

Ralph Springett, retired water service foreman, underwent surgery several weeks ago and is now up and feeling pretty good. He states you can't keep a good man down.

Alvie Lyons, retired conductor, and wife are now in Mexico City enjoying the sights with the Claude Davises, retired passenger department chief clerk. Claude made all the arrangements for chartering a Pullman coach from Juarez to Mexico City for them and their group of vacationing couples. Sounds great!

Recent vacationers include J. M. Rentfrow, who journeyed to Santa Fe for several days' rest and sightseeing. Bill Huffman, roundhouse foreman, vacationed around home and tried some deer hunting, but . . . ? Arvid Alexander, carman, kept his vacation plans secret and Bob Hamm, carman, is now on vacation.

The Silverton train, some call it the Toonerville Trolley, handled 90,724 passengers this last season. The expectations for the 1969 season are as great or greater, as there are 1,200 advance reservations already on hand for next year.

Burnham Notes

Shop Filings

By Elmer Schaefer

Nick Domenica, his brother and wife vacationed with relatives at Cleveland whom they had last seen 47 years ago. They also journeyed to Toronto, Canada to visit with two nieces and three nephews they had never met.

Congratulations to Jo Ann Johnson and William J. Blackburn on their recent wedding at the RLDS Church on Oct. 26. William is a machinist apprentice and son of Robert Blackburn.

Best wishes for a long and happy retirement to P. F. Wells, electrician, with 25 years of service, H. C. Marston with 21 years of service and H. C. "Jack" Huntington with 26 years.

Among our welcome shop visitors were H. N. Throckmorton, Louis J. Mudra, Frank Perry and Art Southwell.

Sympathy is extended to the Guy Lockhart family in the loss of Guy after enjoying many years of retirement.

Rose Jessen and her niece visited relatives in California while on vacation and returned by way of Las Vegas where they visited Jack's brother. Jack is the painter in the diesel locomotive shop.

Eldred Maggie and wife vacationed in Wyoming and did some reportably good fishing at Flaming Gorge Reservoir.

Among the shop deer and elk hunters who tried were Hugh Shortridge, Glen McGaha, Glenn Flintrope, Ray McCurdy, Jim Armbrust, Peter Schmidt and Barney Arguello.

William Stallins, machinist, and wife, Maude, vacationed in New York State. They visited the daughter of the late Levi Glover near Batavia. The highlight of this trip was a visit to Mrs. Stallin's birthplace near Charlton, N. Y. This home is now known as the Millstone Farm House, built in 1791, owned by Alexander Crane until he passed away in 1912. This old house has been well preserved in its original form and the records show it is the oldest house in the community. Seeing this beautiful and historic old landmark gave Maude a chance to relive her childhood in memory.

Lab & Store Depts.

By Jean Gustafson

Congratulations to Robert Guerrieri on the birth of a daughter Nov. 2. Bob also has a son.

A very warm welcome is extended to Terry Joe Foster who has returned to the Store Dept. after two years and eight months with the U. S. Air Force. Terry is equally happy to be "home" again.

Store Dept. employees are finishing

up vacations in a variance of ways. William Sealy and wife, Kathrynne, toured the Gunnison and Black Canyon area, Grand Junction and Yampa Valley.

Mike Wilkas flew the "Friendly Skies of United" to New York City and New Haven, Conn. On his return to Denver, he purchased a new LeMans Pontiac. What a way to wind up a vacation!

His many friends in the Lab and Store Depts. mourn the passing of Guy Lockhart and sincere sympathies are extended to Mrs. Lockhart and family. Although Guy had retired some years ago, his cheerful visits will be missed by Burnham personnel.

Car Shop

By C. C. Craig

Pleased to welcome back to the Car Dept., Richard Schiavone and Darrell Frank. Both men are carmen apprentices and have completed two years of active service in the Navy.

Recent visitors were Robert Roatcap, Tony Green, Fred Vogel, George Pasco and Phil Sundberg.

Roper

By B. J. Chavez

Congratulations are in order for two families. Jerry and Teri Smith are the proud parents of a baby girl, Stormy Lynn, born Sept. 30. Jerry is the bill clerk on the afternoon shift. Joe Aiello and Sherlene are blessed with a baby boy, Christian Mark, Oct. 16. Joe is chief clerk on the second trick.

Sympathies are extended to the family of Matt Rowland who passed away Oct. 15. Matt retired in June, 1967, as a clerk at Roper. He was 70.

John Barron spent a whole month at home during his vacation and returned to work in good health. John works in the switch center.

Most everyone came back from a successful deer hunt. Joe Aiello and his brothers brought back a special trophy; they bagged two elk. They dressed out at 500 and 800 lbs.

Last month's issue of the Green Light, a picture of Nancy Taylor, Lynn Brown and Bert Chavez showed Nancy as Mark Taylor. Mark is Nancy's brother. Phone calls for Lynn Brown were quite common. Everyone thought the pretty redhead was Lynn Brown. Nancy, by-the-way, was very flattered with all the attention and phone calls.

Salida Comments

By Maribee*

Proof that 51 years of being kind and considerate to employes and employer alike was evidenced by the large number of persons representing all departments of the railroad who attended John Coster's retirement party. The party was occasion for reminiscing of old days of railroading. The good wishes of fellow workers and supervisors had a terrific emotional impact on John, who now carries out his love for railroading by watching trains pass by from his modest home at Salida near the river and Rio Grande's main line.

John was presented with a watch and transistor radio by his fellow employes. His eyes grew even wider when "Red" MacDonald handed him a model gold-plated locomotive built in the Burnham shops, engraved with his name, years of service and retirement date.

As a carman, John does have the consolation of being "irreplaceable." His retirement brought a complete end to the car department at Salida which at one time had between 40 and 50 employes.

An enviable mark established by John was a perfect safety record. He joined the Rio Grande as an errand boy in 1917, became a signalman on the derrick and was appointed derrick engineer in 1922. He held this position until he became wrecker foreman in 1930 and later general foreman.

Some of the officials attending the retirement party were John Spiess, master mechanic; Clarence Olson, general car foreman; Red MacDonald, general shop superintendent, all of Denver; E. P. Johnston, general car foreman, Pueblo, and Frank Green, road foreman of equipment, Grand Junction. R. C. Williams, trainmaster, and Charles Carpenter, agent, Salida, arranged the party.

He had joked about it for so long nobody believed him when he said it was his "last day." But for the past month "Highball Clarksville" can no longer be heard. The "Clarksville" was an affectionate way fellow brakemen had of teasing Marvin Clark. The spot on the railroad east of Howard became known as Clarksville as Marvin had selected this site for a powder plant, however, it turned out to be a spot where a well was drilled and the ribbing resulted.

The kidding ways of Marvin are missed around Salida since he retired in October. One thing is sure, the boys will never find a replacement for the trainman who was able to keep complete "track" of what was going on.

Marvin and wife, Alice, are bound to be happy in their days of leisure.

Bill Heister, son of "Rip" Wade Heister, set out on a hunting trip near Salida. He didn't expect to be a partner in a wrestling match. Bill shot his

deer but had left his hunting knife in the jeep. He thought it should be simple enough to use his pocket knife. About that time the deer decided he wasn't ready to die. He raised up and rolled Bill down the hill. He grabbed the horns and tried to hang on but was thrown off four different times.

The deer finally died, but it was decided death was due to exhaustion. Bill still can't believe he has no wounds to show for his rough wrestling match.

While all this was going on, he was being observed from the Salida radio station, hence he was one of the hunting news stories of the year which even reached the TV stations at Denver.

A fishing story to complete the fall season. R. C. Williams, trainmaster, caught a large fish which even the experts couldn't identify. They said you can't catch a Mackinaw in the river, but that he did was the final decision.

The latest is an office feud over the ability to tell the difference between a dead coyote and a dead fox.

*Mary B. Cassidy

Pueblo

By Guida Fonda

Congratulations to our new diaper and pin parents as follows: Derrel Chappel, clerk, on the birth of their daughter, Dorsey Henre; Wayne Vincent, clerk, a daughter, Sherry Lynn; Pat Beal, switchman, a son, Tod Patrick, who incidentally has Sonny Beal, night chief clerk, for his grandpa.

Hank Atkison, switchman, is home from the hospital and doing nicely. John Demicell, conductor, is in the hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery. Joe McKlem, engineer for the MoPac, is at home recovering from a broken leg as the result of a home accident.

Congratulations to Marvin Clark, brakeman, on his retirement. Marvin has been with the Rio Grande since October, 1923. He and his wife plan to maintain their Poodle Clipping Shop and also do some well deserved traveling around Colorado and various other places. Marvin will be missed and leaves with our best wishes.

Most of the hunters came back empty handed. All returned with a sunburn and a memory of good times. Better luck next year!

New employes are Gene Bachik and Gary Parades.

Sincere sympathy to the families of Henry Embree, retired carman, who passed away Oct. 28; Mike Brifey, retired carman, on his recent death; Larry Trimble, clerk, on the recent death of his father; and Ray Fisher, terminal trainmaster, and his wife on the death of her mother.

Provo

By R. R. Rackele

C. W. "Red" Hearn, trainmaster, and wife have returned from a Las Vegas vacation.

Jim Johnson, Dale Bringham, Mont Yates and Eldon Stallings were successful hunters as they each bagged their elk.

Franklin Peterson, car department, has returned to work after three-month layoff due to an injury.

Gary Chadwick is in the hospital as is Mrs. J. W. Wernz. Hope they will both be out soon.

Pleased to see Harry Bywater back to work after an operation.

Vacationers include D. B. Bringhurst, Bud Jackman, D. J. Bigler, H. Larsen and W. R. Chappell. While they are on vacation the deer had better be on the lookout as they have their sights trained on them.

Carl Granat, car foreman, and son, Kent, are deer hunting.

The Dick Brashers had quite an extensive trip on their vacation. They drove to Arkansas to visit Dick's parents, New Orleans with the American Legion, Galveston, Hemisfair at San Antonio, Houston's Astradome before returning to their home at Spanish Fork.

While Neil Thorpe was deer hunting, he noticed tire tracks along the side of the road leading nowhere. Looking over the side some 286 feet below was a pickup truck. When he reached it, he found three young deer hunters in the cab badly hurt. He climbed up the hill and stopped a patrolman and got them to a hospital. Needless to say, three deer hunters were very happy to see Neil, who was credited with saving their lives.

Colorado Division Office

By Anne Glivar

The W. J. Gills announce the engagement of their daughter, Barbara Jean, to Ronald L. Smith, formerly of Evergreen. Barbara is attending Colorado State College at Greeley and will graduate next May. Ronald is attending the Institute of Languages in the U. S. Army at Monterey, Calif. They are planning a December wedding.

Wells Knapp and wife vacationed in Iowa. They brought back her parents who will visit them for several weeks.

Henrietta Herrick is recuperating at home after a stay in the hospital. Mary Ann Findlay is substituting for her.

Tom Jackson spent his vacation painting his house and visiting friends and relatives at Pueblo. E. L. Crutchfield visited his daughter at Pomona where she teaches school.

Earl Hostetter is working at North Yard while Don Sweet is on vacation.

Second Lt. Carl Jensen, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Jensen, is leaving next month for Fort Belvoir, Va., where he will serve in the Engineering Corps.

Engineering and Transportation

By C. O. Froid

Congratulations to Paul and Peggy Smith on their becoming grandparents to a baby boy born to their daughter, Patty and husband, Roger Drotar. Both Roger and Patty are former employees at the freight house.

Ben and Mary Durland took an extended vacation trip through the northwest and Canada. They visited Jasper and Banff National Parks and were impressed by the steep mountains as well as the glaciers they witnessed. The trip home was along the coastal highways of Oregon and Washington. They covered 4,500 miles of highway.

Otto Dvorak is in the Greeley Hospital with pneumonia. Keith M. Peck is home convalescing from painful injuries suffered in an accidental fall on a bus trip to the C. S. U. football game at Fort Collins.

Received a nice note from Judy Schmidt, former secretary, who included photos of the two children, Missy and baby Eric who is now three-and-one-half months old. Judy and husband, Steve, live at South Bend, Ind.

Janet Reeve and her mother took a vacation trip by air to Florida and the island of Jamaica. Janet was impressed by the primitive as well as the lovely, lush green beauty of this island. They returned by the way of Washington, D. C.

The price of Patriotism! Roger Dal Vera, on his way to his precinct to vote, was plagued by a number of incidents. His car was boxed in at the parking lot so tightly the tail pipe became broken, on his way he had a flat tire and a broken clutch spring. Arriving at the precinct, he collided with a glass door in his haste that netted a cut on his nose. He did get to vote.

Wes Bolton and wife, Jo, took a visiting and sightseeing trip to Phoenix, San Diego and Oceanside, returning by way of Yosemite National Park and Reno.

Orville Geisler is devoting some time to jury duty.

Traffic Dept.

By Robert Hulstrom

Joel and Gary, sons of Joe Heiney, Rio Grande's district representative at Kansas City, have enlisted in the Navy.

Joel, who has been employed by Peat-Marwick-Mitchell & Co, Certified Public Accountants, as a junior auditor since receiving his Bachelor's degree from Central Missouri State College, has been accepted for Naval Officers Candidate School at Newport, R. I. He will report for duty January 4.

Gary graduated from Oak Park High School at Kansas City in May and will leave for San Diego on Nov. 4 where he will take his Navy basic training.

From the White House

Communications

By Jim Chavies

Recent vacationers are C. E. Jordan who journeyed to Nebraska; Ron Jones spent a week at home and is planning a Mexico trip the 14th of November; Jim Chavies vacationed in Illinois for two weeks.

D. D. Farlow went deer hunting but was outsmarted by the deer just as the fish did a while back. His son and daughter, when they become of age, will have to give him lessons in hunting as they did in fishing.

Western Union has removed its lease printers from the office. They were put in operation in February, 1961, and were removed when new equipment was installed in October. All messages are now sent through computer message switching.

Personnel

By Betty Hancock

Catherine Behrens, husband and brother are journeying through Mexico, Acapulco and Yucatan where they will visit the famous ruins of the Mayans. They will return via New Orleans and will be traveling about three weeks.

Ann Eckberg and Pat Fick each have been on a week's vacation. Ann's mother is now at Spaulding House after a lengthy stay in the hospital with a broken hip.

Revenue Accounting

By Walter Brooks

Fletcher Norton is still confined to the hospital but is greatly improved. He is now able to move about the hospital and is anticipating his release at any time. He is also looking forward to bowling again soon. Everyone is pulling for him.

Dicie Andrews is recuperating at home after a sojourn in the hospital. Hope she will return to work soon.

Those enjoying "restful" vacations are Clint Krieger, Bertha Schillinger, Pete Peterson, Dick Watson, Earl Grethel, Jim Jamison and Ben Klodt.

A welcome to new employees is extended to Ed Davis, Margaret Nutter and Grace Brockman to this department.

Al Green is enjoying the sights of Las Vegas while visiting his daughter and son-in-law.

Recent correspondence from Frances (Franklin) Lindley states she is well and preparing for a winter trip. It is good to hear from former employees with whom we have worked.

Expenditure Accounting

By Duane Bowman

Henry Bergman is now home recuperating from a series of heart attacks. Hope he will be with us again real soon.

Lou and Betty Amicone vacationed in Phoenix, Tucson and Las Vegas. Betty reports they were losers at Las Vegas but were winners in other re-

spects as they had an enjoyable time.

Kenney Benson and wife had a wonderful time at Las Vegas and other points in Arizona while on vacation.

C. H. McDonald, the organ man, flew to Miami, Fla. to visit his family during his vacation.

From the TOP

By Irene Vogel

Some are still enjoying vacations. Betty Main visited family and friends in southern California.

Florence Peterson participated in an official ship commissioning when she flew to Bremerton, Wash. to observe ceremonies for the new U.S.S. Denver, a landing platform dock ship. She even helped christen the new dinnerware used on the ship before she proceeded to Seattle and Portland for further vacationing.

"Get Well Soon" to Rosemary Wieweyer who is convalescing at home. We're looking forward to her return soon.

Joanna Arnold, Tom's wife, is safely home after having emergency surgery. Hope she will soon be well enough to sprint after the kids again.

Management Information

By Veronica Spero

This department was saddened by the sudden death of Mary Ann Baird. Mary Ann worked as a key punch operator for the Rio Grande since 1961. She leaves five children, her mother, sisters and brothers along with a multitude of friends to mourn her loss. Rosary was held at Boulevard Mortuary with burial from Mt. Carmel Church to Mt. Olivet cemetery.

Bill Wise and family spent several days vacationing in Oklahoma and Texas visiting friends and relatives. Lorraine Towner vacationed on the west coast visiting her two sons and family.

Sympathy is extended to Joe Warwick and wife on the death of her father. They had just returned from a visit to her parents in Alamosa when the word reached them.

New employees include Joan Eliopulos, Maribeth Bruhn, Keiko Watanuki, Robert Hicks, Jr., Fred Hopkins, John Taylor and Charles Fahl.

Best wishes go with Steve Randolph who was called into military service.

Car Service

By Manford Bauer

Rita Tumbarello visited her sister at Cleveland, Ohio, who is a member of the teaching order of the Sisters of Charity. She will be joining the faculty of St. Rose of Lima School.

Ralph Fowler reports his son, Timothy, a Navy electrician's mate 3rd class, is aboard a U.S. destroyer based at Long Beach. Young Fowler plans a dramatic career following his discharge from the Navy. He is a key member of the play acting group aboard ship.

Bob Bodhane has resumed his office duties after a long bout with the flu.

M. F. Bauer, accompanied by sons, Tom, Tim and Ted, and nephew, Jim Thiele, drove to Lawrence, Kans., to watch the "Jayhawks" feast on the Colorado "Buffaloes" on a rain-soaked field.

Grandma Ruth Theis has become a baby sitter everytime the Denver Broncos play at home. Daughter, Diane, and son-in-law, Harold Wisehart, have become super fans and followers of the resurgent Broncos.

Helper

By Dom Juliano

Sam W. Strange, engineer, after 40 years of railroading, has applied for his annuity. Sam began his railroad career at Soldier Summit and has worked at Provo, Thistle, Helper and Grand Junction.

Sam was working at Helper when he made his last trip on Oct. 30 before retiring. He will make his home at Pomona, Calif., where he has purchased a home. He also has a daughter living there and a son at San Diego. (See photo lower right next column.)

Sam would like to keep in touch with the Rio Grande folks. Those wishing to correspond with him may write to 2386 South Gabriel Drive, Pomona, Calif. 91766.

Vince Howlett, assistant chief clerk, is on vacation. Vince will spend a big part of his vacation deer hunting. George Zamantakis was out deer hunting while on vacation. He "sez" he got his deer but would give no details and this isn't like George as he usually has some colorful stories to tell after his hunting excursions.

Abe and Claranell Day are the proud grandparents of a grandson, David Bret, born Oct. 15. Daughter, Janis Bianco, is the proud mother.

Irvin Olson, Jr., roundhouse laborer, has resigned from the railroad and is now living at Rock Springs, Wyo.

Pheasant season is here and Helper was literally deserted over the weekend as everybody had taken off to the open fields. Reports indicate hunting was very good.

Bob Buffalow and George Zamantakis did their hunting around the Spanish Fork area. A Buffalow hunting pheasants in a duck pond and George flushing pheasants out of the pussy-willows? Note, George, those things in the swamps are cat-tails, not pussy-willows.

Big John Daskolas is advocating Greek Power. I guess this means he has secretly switched over to the Republican side.

Green Light

Grand Junction

By Almeda Flint

Bill Easley's son, Larry, made headlines again when he delivered a baby boy at his home in Cape Girardeau, Mo. According to the physician who arrived later and supervised the transportation of Mrs. Easley and the new baby to the hospital, Larry did a good job. Larry's performance is all the more noteworthy as he hasn't yet fully recovered from an attack of polyneuritis which immobilized him for so many months four years ago.

As usual, hunting season brought all kinds of luck. Arnie Clemmons, dispatcher, shot his elk early the first day out, but Al Daub, Fruita agent, returned from his hunt empty handed. Bert Keele, road foreman, bagged a deer early in the season and Andy Anderson, communications engineer, gives full credit to his boys for the fine elk they brought home.

Airman and Mrs. Robert Peterson have returned to Norton AFB, Calif. after visiting his parents and uncle here. Bob also did some hunting and brought in a six-point elk. The Petersons' younger son, Vic, Jr., has completed his basic training as an airman at Lackland AFB, Tex. and has been assigned to the Air Force Technical Training Center at Chanute AFB, Ill. for special schooling as an aircraft equipment repairman.

Pierce Nash, engineer, spent a not-very-pleasant vacation when he was down two weeks with a bad back. A basketful of recovery wishes are for the many who have been on the sick list: Frank Reardon who had a severe heart attack, W. W. "Bill" Clark who had surgery, W. J. Elbon is in St. Mary's Hospital, Rex Lombardi developed a nasty ulcer.

A get well is also extended to Leonard Clark, Minturn agent, who suffered a heart attack and was confined some time in the Leadville Hospital. Tom McHugh's wife, Nellie, is home following surgery. Mrs. Frank Jonick, wife of the special agent, and



In the photo above are from left to right, "Doc" Slopanskey, retired engineer; Earl Kirkwood, fireman, who made his last trip with Sam; Sam Strange and Bill Flaim, retired engineer.

Hazel Cox are recipients of get well wishes following surgery.

Many good wishes for an enjoyable retirement to A. W. Robbins, engineer, who resigned on his 70th birthday to accept annuity and to Carl J. Forstrom, engineer, who retired after 42 years service. Mrs. Forstrom retired last spring from her work at the State Home and Training School. She and Carl are really enjoying this new experience of leisure.

Hardly recognized Chet Trammell, waterservice pipefitter, retired, as he looks exceptionally well. He lives alone in his old home here and spends his time taking care of the house, lawn and flowers. His roses were especially beautiful this year attesting to his "green thumb."

Florence Watson has sold her home here and moved to Pueblo to be with her son, Warren, who is employed at the Ordnance Depot there.

Ruth Anderson is filling in for George Green, secretary, during his final week of vacation. She will do the same for Harry Bergman while he takes a week off.

J. W. McGinnis, diesel instructor, gave his younger daughter away in marriage and now remarks that, "Mamma and I are all alone now." Their daughter, Susan Lea, and Perry Allen Rhyne chose the Crossroads Methodist Church as the setting for their wedding, Oct. 5. Perry is employed by the Gates Rubber Co. and the couple will make their home at Denver.

Sympathy is extended to Bill McClurg, dispatcher, on the death of his brother, Dick, in California. Dick formerly worked for the Rio Grande as a clerk. Condolences to Jess Kruckenberg, engineer, on the loss of his brother, George. George worked as a fireman for the Rio Grande during WW II. Sympathies are extended to the families of Forrest E. Dowell, retired engineman and C. E. Bottorff, retired engineer.

Robert T. Anderson, son of E. A. Anderson, communications engineer, Palisade, is one of two senior boys from School District 51 and among six Western Colorado semi-finalists in the annual competition for National Merit Scholarships.

Finalists are considered for one of many types of scholarships available. \$1,000 scholarships are granted annually, allocated by states and valued at \$1,000 each. Corporations, foundations, colleges, unions and trust funds also make scholarships available. Winners may receive up \$1,500 a year for four years.

A belated thanks to Oliver Lockhart, trainman, who is an accomplished organist, and Miss Armella Arciere who performed so admirably at the System Vets Convention recently. They added a great deal to the convention highlights.

No Need to Guess Who's Who With Us

Rio Grande's diesel units are taking on a new look.

As each locomotive enters the shop for major overhaul, it will be painted the new color and herald in orange and black. The difference in the old and the new is in the size and depth of the "Rio Grande" applied to the sides and ends of each locomotive.

Rio Grande's locomotives are used, in some cases, on foreign lines on an exchange basis. The new look will leave no doubt in the viewer's mind that the Rio Grande is operating the most modern equipment.

The new look will give the Rio Grande instant identity when viewed from a distance.

The accompanying photos show the difference between the old and new.



FRONT VIEW OF SD/45 has wider angle stripes with a small "Rio" and a large "Grande" as shown above. Colors are orange on a black background for safety visibility.



THE SIDE VIEWS of the two locomotives above, the old look is on the 5319, while the 5336 sports the new look. Both locomotives are SD/45's which are the most powerful on the Rio Grande system.

"Meet New Railroads"

The importance of railroads in the Denver economy was recognized at the Denver Chamber membership luncheon, November 15.

Railroads of Colorado co-sponsored the meeting with five railroad officials as guests. Those attending and having a place of honor at the head table were G. B. Aydelott, president, Rio Grande; Edd Bailey, president, Union Pacific; W. J. Quinn, president, Burlington; Jervis Langdon, Jr., president, Rock Island; and John Terrill, vice president, Colorado & Southern.

Fred Fielder, president, CF&I Corp., was master of ceremonies and introduced the principal speaker, J. W. Henderson, Jr., vice chairman of Railway Progress Institute.

Henderson, who is also president of Buckeye Steel Casting Co., Columbus, Ohio, gave a 25 minute slide documentary "Meeting the New Railroads." In commentary accompanying the slide showing, major industry revolutions were discussed by Henderson on auto rack cars, piggyback service, containerization and unit trains.

New Cars are on Order

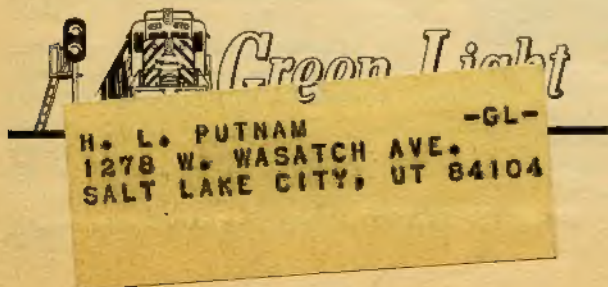
Rio Grande has placed an \$8½ million order for 475 freight cars to be delivered in 1969, according to information released by Tom Arnold, manager distribution services.

Included in the order are 250 50'6" 70-ton insulated box cars with cushion underframe, 10'6" plug doors; 50 50'7" 70-ton non-insulated box cars with cushion underframe, 9'6" inside width, 12'8" inside height, with 16 ft. double plug doors; 25 52'6" 100-ton fixed end, mill type gondolas, 9'6" width, 5'6" inside height with steel floors; and 150 100-ton quadruple hopper cars with 3483 cu. ft. capacity.

The box cars will be constructed in the Pacific Northwest, while the open top cars will be manufactured in the Midwest and East.

Don't knock trouble. It's what keeps you in business and helps you grow. If you are the head of your business, you undoubtedly have trouble to thank for it — or more specifically, your ability to cope with trouble and cut it down to size."

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